

**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims supersedes all prior listing of claims.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for a client device of a communication system comprising:
  - receiving a client provisioning document from a source;
  - identifying a device management characteristic from the client provisioning document, the client provisioning document including at least one of a uniform source identifier (URI) parameter, an operational (OP) parameter, or a DATA parameter; and
  - storing data based on the device management characteristic of the client provisioning document to a device management tree.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving a client provisioning document from a source includes receiving the client provisioning document from a remote server over a wireless communication link.
3. (Cancelled) ~~The method of claim 1, wherein identifying a device management characteristic from the client provisioning document includes identifying at least one of a URI parameter, an OP parameter and a DATA parameter corresponding to the device management characteristic.~~
4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~3~~ 15, further comprising appending the URI parameter by pushing the URI parameter down on a URI stack if the ~~client provisioning document~~ device management characteristic only includes the URI parameter.
5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~3~~ 15, further comprising determining whether the device management characteristic includes the OP parameter after determining that the device management characteristic includes more than the URI parameter and setting the OP parameter to a REPLACE status if the device management characteristic does not include the OP parameter.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~3~~ 5, further comprising determining whether the device management characteristic includes the DATA parameter after determining that the device management characteristic includes the OP parameter and resetting the DATA parameter to a default value if the device management characteristic does not include the DATA parameter.

7. (Currently Amended) A client device of a communication system comprising:  
a provisioning and management framework configured to receive a client provisioning document, the client provisioning document includes a device management characteristic[.].

wherein the device management characteristic includes at least one of a uniform source identifier (URI) parameter, an operational (OP) parameter, or a DATA parameter.

8. (Currently Amended) The client device of claim 7, wherein the provisioning and management framework receives the client provisioning ~~device~~ document from a remote server over a wireless communication link.

9. (Cancelled) ~~The client device of claim 7, wherein the device management characteristic corresponds to at least one of a URI parameter, an OP parameter and a DATA parameter.~~

10. (Currently Amended) The client device of claim ~~9~~ 17, wherein the provisioning and management framework appends the URI parameter by pushing the URI parameter down on a URI stack if the ~~client provisioning document~~ device management characteristic only includes the URI parameter.

11. (Currently Amended) The client device of claim ~~9~~ 17, wherein the provisioning and management framework determines whether the device management characteristic includes the OP parameter after the provisioning and management framework determines that the device management characteristic includes more than the URI parameter and sets the OP parameter to a REPLACE status if the device management characteristic does not include the OP parameter.

12. (Currently Amended) The client device of claim ~~9~~ 11, wherein the provisioning and management framework further determines whether the device management characteristic includes the DATA parameter after the provisioning and management framework determines that the device management characteristic includes the OP parameter and resets the DATA parameter to a default value if the device management characteristic does not include the DATA parameter.

13. (Original) The client device of claim 7, further comprising a device management engine communicating with the provisioning and management framework, the device management engine being configured to update a device management tree based on the device management characteristic of the client provisioning document.

14. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the OP parameter includes at least an ADD value, a REPLACE value, a DELETE, or an EXECUTE.

15. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein identifying the device management characteristics further comprising determining whether the device management characteristic includes only the URI parameter.

16. (New) The client device of claim 7, wherein the OP parameter includes at least an ADD value, a REPLACE value, a DELETE, or an EXECUTE.

17. (New) The client device of claim 7, wherein the provisioning and management framework further configured to determine whether the device management characteristic includes only the URI parameter.